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SUBJ: INMARSAT

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1. DELEGATIONS OF FRG, NORWAY, AND UK HAVE SUBMITTED PAPER TO IMCO (ISWG I/3 DATED JULY 21) ENTITLED "WORKING PAPER SETTING OUT POSSIBLE DIVISION OF TEXTS OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT AND AN OPERATING AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH INMARSAT AND ITS CONDITIONS OF OPERATION". SHIPPING ATTACHE, FRG EMBASSY IN LONDON CALLED EMBOFF JULY 25 TO SAY HE INSTRUCTED BY HIS GOVERNMENT TO SEE TO IT THAT DEPUTY ASST. SECRETARY WALDMANN IS PROVIDED COPY BY MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS POSSIBLE. WE AGREED FASTEST WAY WOULD PROBABLY BE TO HAVE DOCUMENT HAND-CARRIED TO WASHINGTON BY USDEL TO IMCO SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING ON SAFETY OF NAVIGATION. USDEL RETURNING JULY 26 AND DOCUMENT WILL BE DELIVERED TO WALDMANN MORNING OF JULY 28. GERMAN SHIPPING ATTACHE
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DID NOT KNOW WHETHER THERE ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN

WORKING PAPER AND SEYERSTAD PROPOSAL REFERRED TO IN
REFTELS.

2. WE SPOKE TO PETER BULL, FCO, ABOUT WORKING PAPER.
(MELLON NOT AVAILABLE.) BULL SAID PAPER DIFFERED FROM
THAT DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON BUT CLAIMED DIFFERENCES
NON-SUBSTANTIVE IN NATURE AND INVOLVED ONLY RENUMBERING
OF CERTAIN ARTICLES AND IN SOME INSTANCES A RETURN TO
LANGUAGE IDENTICAL WITH THAT USED BY PANEL OF EXPERTS.
HE SAID SEYERSTAD PROPOSALS NOT INCORPORATED IN WORKING
PAPER AND WERE "ENTIRELY SEPARATE MATTER". HE WAS NOT
SURE ABOUT CURRENT STATUS OF THOSE PROPOSALS OR WHAT
NORWEGIAN PLANS WERE FOR THEM.

3. COMMENT: WE THOUGHT BULL SOUNDED A BIT DEFENSIVE
ABOUT WORKING PAPER AND PROCEDURE EMPLOYED BY FRG,
NORWAY AND UK IN SUBMITTING A TEXT DIFFERENT FROM THAT
DISCUSSED WASHINGTON BUT WE ARE UNABLE TO JUDGE WHETHER
HE IS BEING COMPLETELY STRAIGHTFORWARD IN CLAIMING NO
SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES INVOLVED. BULL SAID TIME ELEMENT
FORCED THE THREE GOVERNMENTS TO SEND PAPER TO IMCO WITH-
OUT FIRST INFORMING US OF CHANGES.

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